

EXECUTIVE ORDER
90-15

ESTABLISHING AND EMPOWERING
THE GOVERNOR'S REGIONAL AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(GRAAC)

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona has continued to be among the leaders in the Nation in sustained population growth and increasing economic vitality over the past two decades; and

WHEREAS, the future growth of the State's population and of its economic vitality is directly related to the adequacy of its transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, aviation will increase in importance to become a major mode of passenger and cargo transportation over the next several decades; and

WHEREAS, it takes an exceptionally long lead-time to plan aviation infrastructure improvements and to develop aviation facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rose Mofford, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the statutes of this State, do hereby establish and empower the Governor's Regional Airport Advisory Committee (GRAAC) to make recommendations regarding the need for a new regional airport within the State of Arizona.

The GRAAC shall consist of 40 members duly appointed by the Governor to represent the various regional, aviation, and economic interests throughout the State of Arizona. The Committee shall serve without compensation and at the pleasure of the Governor. The Chairman of the GRAAC shall be selected by the Governor from among the following forty (40) members :

- 3 members representing the League of Cities and Towns,
- 2 members representing the County Supervisor's Association,
- 1 member representing the Arizona Economic Council,
- 1 member representing the Maricopa Association of Governments Regional Council,
- 1 member representing the Pima Association of Governments Regional Council,
- 1 member representing the Central Arizona Association of Governments Regional Council,
- 2 members representing the passenger/cargo airline industry,
- 2 members representing military aviation interests,
- 2 members representing business/pleasure aviation interests,
- 1 member representing the aerospace industry,
- 1 member representing the State's financial institutions,
- 1 member representing the public utility industry,
- 1 member representing economic development interests,
- 1 member representing the Federal Aviation Administration,
- 1 member representing the State Transportation Board,
- 1 member representing the Department of Transportation,
- 1 member representing the Department of Commerce,
- 1 member representing the Department of Tourism,
- 1 member from the Governor's Staff, and
- 15 members representing the general public.

From the forty (40) members of the GRAAC, the Governor will appoint fifteen (15) members to a Technical Subcommittee which will advise ADOT staff on the technical methodology for conducting the regional airport feasibility study, review all study products which get produced, and provide progress updates to the GRAAC.

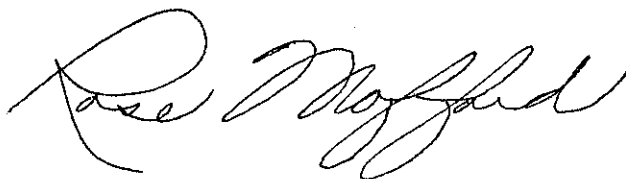
For additional oversight beyond that provided by the GRAAC, the Governor shall appoint, in consultation with the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, four (4) non-voting members from the Legislature, one majority and one minority appointment from each house.

The major purpose of the GRAAC is to make recommendations to the Governor regarding the need for a new regional airport within the State of Arizona. Working with the short-term and long-term findings from the aviation portion of the 1990 Transportation Needs Study, the GRAAC shall perform the following functions:

1. Review the 5-10-20 and 50-year findings from the Aviation portion of the Needs Study and other pertinent information regarding aviation.
2. Determine, based upon the Needs Study and other relevant studies, if a Regional Airport Feasibility Study should be conducted, including its potential net economic benefits to the State.
3. Review the Request For Proposal (RFP) prepared by ADOT if a feasibility study is pursued.
4. Advise ADOT during the feasibility study.
5. Schedule and conduct public meetings/hearings addressing issues surrounding the development of a new regional airport.
6. Depending on the findings from the feasibility study, advise the Governor on how to proceed with the consideration of the institutional arrangements, other infrastructure needs, and financing options associated with the development of a regional airport facility in Arizona.

The GRAAC shall be dissolved when the question of the feasibility of a new regional airport has been answered.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.



G O V E R N O R

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this ninth day of August in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety and of the Independence of the United States the Two Hundred and Fourteenth.

ATTEST:



Secretary of State

